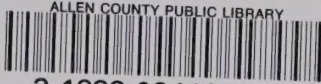


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The names of places, as well as of people, are always important in doing genealogical research. The State of North Carolina is unusually rich in place-names. From the seashore to the mountains, place-names and family names the past three hundred years have become so closely interwoven as to be almost inseparable. Take townships, for example.

The American township, it may be noted, is similar to the English parish. English counties were subdivided into parishes; American counties into townships (except in New England, where they are called towns, and in Louisiana, where the counties themselves are designated as parishes). In the southern states the county is generally the more important unit, and townships, where they exist, are mere local divisions. In later surveys a township was exactly 36 square miles (or 23,040 acres).

North Carolina, with 100 counties, has a total of 1025 townships, an average of about 10 townships per county. (See the June 1956 issue of TNC for a list of N. C. counties, both past and present.) Thirteen of the 100 counties designated their townships (132 of them) by numbers rather than by names. These thirteen, showing number of townships in each, are as follows: Alamance 13; Cabarrus 12; Chowan 4; Cleveland 11; Craven 9; Edgecombe 14; Franklin 10; Jones 7; Lee 7; Madison 16; Mecklenburg 15; Moore 9; and Pamlico 5.

The county with the largest number of townships is Robeson, with 28, followed by Wilkes with 21, and Wake with 20. No county has fewer than 3 townships; three each for Camden, Graham, and Swain Counties.

The 13 which used numbers instead of names leave 87 which used names for their townships--893 names, differing widely in origin and interpretation. Around half of the names originate from the physical features of the terrain (such as creeks, hills, mountains, rivers, and so on), with the majority of them having a family name attached (such as Avery Creek, or Boon Hill, for example). The other half were named for pioneer families or prominent persons of the area. In all, nearly two-thirds of the place-names perpetuate some family name. Many churches were named for the community in which they were located, and carry, down to the present, the place-name, and/or the family name originally given to the community; the local township will carry the same name in many instances. Many of the townships carry the same name as the town or village they embrace. Some townships have several towns, and several of the larger cities are townships in themselves. A large number of the townships have no towns or villages at all.

The origin of many of the names dates back to the formation of the county, or to the first white settlements in the area, covering the State from the middle and late 1600's to the late 1800's or early 1900's. A large number of the names were used to designate militia and tax districts in the counties long before townships were formed in the middle 1800's.

In popularity, four names (with variations) tie for first place: Seven each for Beaver, Green(e), Little River, and William(s). These were followed by Cedar (6), White Oak (6), Union (6), and New Hope (5).

It would be interesting to trace the origin and meaning of some of the unusual and often amusing township names, such as: Alligator, Blowing Rock, Bug Hill, Bull Head, Burning Town, Caintuck, Dismal, Dry Wells, Egypt, Goose Nest, Healing Spring, Hogback, Hot House, Hurricane, Iron Duff, Knobs, Meat Camp, Merry Hill, Nags Head, New Light, Pigeon, Pink Hill, Quewhiffle, Saddletree, Seventy-first, Sixpound, Snake Bite, Tally Ho, Toe River, Wolf Pit, and Wolfscrape.

The 893 names are listed below, in alphabetical order, showing the name of the county in which each one is located:

Abbotts - Bladen (Co.)	Banner - Johnston
Abbotts Creek - Davidson	Banner Elk - Avery
Abbotts Creek - Forsyth	Barbecue - Harnett
Ahoskie - Hertford	Barkers Creek - Jackson
Albertson - Duplin	Barringer - Iredell
Albright - Chatham	Barton Creek - Wake
Alfordsville - Robeson	Bath - Beaufort
Alleghany - Davidson	Bear Creek - Chatham
Allendale - Hoke	Beargrass - Martin
Allensville - Person	Beaufort - Carteret
Alligator - Tyrrell	Beaver Creek - Wilkes
Almond - Stanly	Beaver Dam - Cumberland
Altamont - Avery	Beaverdam - Cherokee
Anderson - Caswell	Beaverdam - Haywood
Anderson Creek - Harnett	Beaver Dam - Pitt
Ansonville - Anson	Beaverdam - Richmond
Antioch - Hoke	Beaverdam - Watauga
Antioch - Wilkes	Beaver Island - Stokes
Arcadia - Davidson	Beech Mountain - Avery
Asheboro - Randolph	Belews Creek - Forsyth
Asheville - Buncombe	Belvidere - Perquimans
Atlantic - Dare	Belvoir - Pitt
Atwell - Rowan	Bentonsville - Johnston
Averasboro - Harnett	Bethania - Forsyth
Avery Creek - Buncombe	Bethany - Iredell
Ayden - Pitt	Bethel - Bladen
	Bethel - Perquimans
Back Creek - Randolph	Bethel - Pitt
Back Swamp - Robeson	Beulah - Johnston
Bailey - Nash	Big Creek - Stokes
Bakersville - Mitchell	Big Lick - Stanly
Bald Mountain - Watauga	Bingham - Orange
Baldwin - Chatham	Biscoe - Montgomery
Bandy - Catawba	Black Creek - Wilson

Black Jack - Richmond
 Black Mountain - Buncombe
 Black River - Cumberland
 Black River - Harnett
 Bladenboro - Bladen
 Blowing Rock - Watauga
 Blue Ridge - Henderson
 Blue Ridge - Watauga
 Blue Springs - Hoke
 Bogue - Columbus
 Bolton - Columbus
 Boomer - Wilkes
 Boon Hill - Johnston
 Boone - Davidson
 Boonville - Yadkin
 Boyd - Transylvania
 Brackett - McDowell
 Bradshaw - Mitchell
 Brasstown - Clay
 Brassfield - Granville
 Brevard - Transylvania
 Brinkleyville - Halifax
 Britts - Robeson
 Broadbay - Forsyth
 Broad River - Buncombe
 Brogden - Wayne
 Brower - Randolph
 Brown Marsh - Bladen
 Bruce - Guilford
 Brush Creek - Yancey
 Brushy Fork - Watauga
 Brushy Mountain - Wilkes
 Bryan - Surry
 Buckhorn - Harnett
 Buckhorn - Wake
 Buck Shoal - Yadkin
 Buck Swamp - Wayne
 Buford - Union
 Bug Hill - Columbus
 Bull Head - Greene
 Burgaw - Pender
 Burning Town - Macon
 Burnsville - Anson
 Burnt Swamp - Robeson
 Burnsville - Yancey
 Bushy Fork - Person
 Butterwood - Halifax
 Caintuck - Pender

Calahaln - Davie
 Caldwell - Catawba
 Camp Creek - Rutherford
 Canada - Jackson
 Cane Creek - Mitchell
 Cane River - Yancey
 Caney Fork - Jackson
 Cape Fear - Chatham
 Cape Fear - New Hanover
 Carolina - Pitt
 Carr - Durham
 Carrs - Greene
 Cartoogechaye - Macon
 Carvers Creek - Bladen
 Carvers Creek - Cumberland
 Cary - Wake
 Cashiers - Jackson
 Castalia - Nash
 Caswell - Pender
 Cataloochee - Haywood
 Catawba - Catawba
 Catawba Springs - Lincoln
 Catheys Creek - Transylvania
 Cecil - Haywood
 Cedar Creek - Cumberland
 Cedar Fork - Durham
 Cedar Fork - Wake
 Cedar Grove - Orange
 Cedar Grove - Randolph
 Cedar Island - Carteret
 Center - Chatham
 Center - Stanly
 Center Grove - Guilford
 Central - Bladen
 Cerro Gordo - Columbus
 Chadbourn - Columbus
 Chambersburg - Iredell
 Chapel Hill - Orange
 Charleston - Swain
 Cheek Creek - Montgomery
 Cheeks - Orange
 Cheoah - Graham
 Cherry Lane - Alleghany
 Cherryville - Gaston
 Chestnut Hill - Ashe
 Chicod - Pitt
 Chimney Rock - Rutherford
 China Grove - Rowan
 Chocowinity - Beaufort

Clarksville - Davie
 Clay - Guilford
 Clayton - Johnston
 Clear Creek - Henderson
 Clemmons - Forsyth
 Cleveland - Johnston
 Cleveland - Rowan
 Clifton - Ashe
 Clines - Catawba
 Clyde - Haywood
 Coddle Creek - Iredell
 Colerain - Bertie
 Coleridge - Randolph
 Colfax - Rutherford
 Colly - Bladen
 Columbia - Pender
 Columbia - Randolph
 Columbia - Tyrrell
 Columbus - Polk
 Concord - Iredell
 Concord - Randolph
 Conoconnara - Halifax
 Conrad Hill - Davidson
 Contentnea Neck - Lenoir
 Cool Spring - Iredell
 Cool Spring - Rutherford
 Cooper Gap - Polk
 Coopers - Nash
 Cotton Grove - Davidson
 Court House - Camden
 Cove Creek - Watauga
 Cowee - Macon
 Crab Creek - Henderson
 Crabtree - Haywood
 Crabtree - Yancey
 Cranberry - Alleghany
 Cranberry - Avery
 Crawford - Currituck
 Creston - Ashe
 Croatan - Dare
 Crooked Creek - McDowell
 Cross Creek - Cumberland
 Cross Roads - Martin
 Cross Roads - Wilson
 Crowder Mountain - Gaston
 Cullowhee - Jackson
 Cunningham - Person
 Currituck - Hyde
 Cypress Creek - Bladen
 Cypress Creek - Duplin

Dabney - Vance
 Dallas - Gaston
 Danbury - Stokes
 Dan River - Caswell
 Davidson - Iredell
 Deep Creek - Yadkin
 Deep River - Guilford
 Dillsboro - Jackson
 Dismal - Sampson
 Dobson - Surry
 Drexel - Burke
 Dry Wells - Nash
 Duke - Harnett
 Duncans Creek - Rutherford
 Dunns Rock - Transylvania
 Durham - Durham
 Dutchville - Granville
 Dysartsville - McDowell

 Eagle Mills - Iredell
 East Bend - Yadkin
 East Fork - Haywood
 East Lake - Dare
 Eastatoe - Transylvania
 Eastover - Cumberland
 Edneyville - Henderson
 Edwards - Wilkes
 Egypt - Yancey
 Eldora - Surry
 Eldorado - Montgomery
 Elevation - Johnston
 Elizabeth City - Pasquotank
 Elizabethtown - Bladen
 Elk - Ashe
 Elk - Watauga
 Elk - Wilkes
 Elkin - Surry
 Ellendale - Alexander
 Ellijay - Macon
 Emmons - Davidson
 Endy - Stanly
 Enfield - Halifax
 Eno - Orange

 Fair Bluff - Columbus
 Fairfield - Hyde
 Fairmont - Robeson
 Fairview - Buncombe
 Faison - Duplin
 Falkland - Pitt

Fall Creek - Yadkin
 Falling Creek - Lenoir
 Fallstown - Iredell
 Farmington - Davie
 Farmville - Pitt
 Faucett - Halifax
 Federal Point - New Hanover
 Fentress - Guilford
 Ferrells - Nash
 Fines Creek - Haywood
 Fishing Creek - Granville
 Fishing Creek - Warren
 Flat Creek - Buncombe
 Flat River - Person
 Flats - Macon
 Forbush - Yadkin
 Fork - Warren
 Fork - Wayne
 Fork Mountain - Mitchell
 Forneys Creek - Swain
 Fountain - Pitt
 Franklin - Macon
 Franklin - Rowan
 Franklin - Sampson
 Franklin - Surry
 Franklinville - Randolph
 French Broad - Buncombe
 Frenchs Creek - Bladen
 Friendship - Guilford
 Fruitville - Currituck
 Fulton - Davie
 Furr - Stanly

Gaddy - Robeson
 Gap Civil - Alleghany
 Gardner - Wilson
 Gaston - Northampton
 Gastonia - Gaston
 Gatesville - Gates
 Gilkey - Rutherford
 Gilmer - Guilford
 Glade Creek - Alleghany
 Glenwood - McDowell
 Glisson - Duplin
 Globe - Caldwell
 Gloucester - Transylvania
 Gold Hill - Rowan
 Golden Valley - Rutherford
 Goldsboro - Wayne

Goose Creek - Union
 Goose Nest - Martin
 Grady - Pender
 Grant - Randolph
 Grantham - Wayne
 Grassy Creek - Ashe
 Grassy Creek - Mitchell
 Grays Creek - Cumberland
 Green Hill - Rutherford
 Green Mountain - Yancey
 Great Swamp - Wayne
 Green River - Henderson
 Greene - Guilford
 Greens Creek - Jackson
 Greens Creek - Polk
 Greenville - Pitt
 Griffins - Martin
 Griffins - Nash
 Grove - Harnett
 Gulf - Chatham
 Gullledge - Anson
 Gum Neck - Tyrrell
 Gwaltneys - Alexander

Hadley - Chatham
 Halifax - Halifax
 Hall - Gates
 Halls - Sampson
 Hamburg - Jackson
 Hamilton - Martin
 Hampton - Davidson
 Harnett - New Hanover
 Harrell - Mitchell
 Harrellsville - Hertford
 Harris - Stanly
 Haslett - Gates
 Hatteras - Dare
 Haw River - Chatham
 Hawtree - Warren
 Hayesville - Clay
 Healing Spring - Davidson
 Hectors Creek - Harnett
 Helton - Ashe
 Henderson - Vance
 Hendersonville - Henderson
 Herrings - Sampson
 Hertford - Perquimans
 Hickory - Catawba
 Hickory Mountain - Chatham

Higgins - McDowell
 Highlands - Macon
 High Point - Guilford
 High Shoals - Rutherford
 Hightowers - Caswell
 Hillsboro - Orange
 Hiwassee - Clay
 Hogback - Transylvania
 Hollow - Bladen
 Holloway - Person
 Holly - Pender
 Holly Grove - Gates
 Holly Springs - Wake
 Honeycutts - Sampson
 Hookerton - Greene
 Hoopers Creek - Henderson
 Horse Creek - Ashe
 Hot House - Cherokee
 House Creek - Wake
 Howards Creek - Lincoln
 Howellsville - Robeson
 Hudson - Caldwell
 Hunters Mill - Gates
 Hunting Quarters - Carteret
 Huntsville - Rockingham
 Hurricane - Ashe

Icard - Burke
 Indian Springs - Wayne
 Indian Woods - Bertie
 Ingrams - Johnston
 Institute - Lenoir
 Iron Duff - Haywood
 Ironton - Lincoln
 Island Creek - Duplin
 Ivy - Buncombe
 Ivy Hill - Haywood

Jacks Creek - Yancey
 Jackson - Nash
 Jackson - Northampton
 Jackson - Union
 Jackson Hill - Davidson
 Jacksonville - Onslow
 Jacobs Fork - Catawba
 Jamestown - Guilford
 Jamesville - Martin
 Jason - Greene
 Jefferson - Ashe

Jefferson - Guilford
 Jerusalem - Davie
 Jobs Cabin - Wilkes
 Johnsonville - Harnett
 Johns River - Caldwell
 Jonas Ridge - Burke
 Jonathans Creek - Haywood
 Judkins - Warren

Kenansville - Duplin
 Kennekeet - Dare
 Kernersville - Forsyth
 Kings Creek - Caldwell
 Kinston - Lenoir
 Kirby - Northampton
 Kittrell - Vance
 Knobs - Yadkin

Lake Creek - Bladen
 Lake Landing - Hyde
 Lanesboro - Anson
 Lanes Creek - Union
 Laurel - Ashe
 Laurel Creek - Watauga
 Laurel Hill - Scotland
 Leasburg - Caswell
 Leaksville - Rockingham
 Lebanon - Durham
 Lees - Columbus
 Lees Mills - Washington
 Leesville - Wake
 Leicester - Buncombe
 Lenoir - Caldwell
 Level Cross - Randolph
 Lewis Fork - Wilkes
 Lewisville - Forsyth
 Lexington - Davidson
 Liberty - Randolph
 Liberty - Yadkin
 Lilesville - Anson
 Lillington - Harnett
 Limestone - Buncombe
 Limestone - Duplin
 Lincolnnton - Lincoln
 Linville - Avery
 Linville - Burke
 Lisbon - Sampson
 Litaker - Rowan
 Little Coharie - Sampson

Little River - Alexander
 Little River - Caldwell
 Little River - Hoke
 Little River - Montgomery
 Little River - Orange
 Little River - Transylvania
 Little River - Wake
 Little Rock Creek - Mitchell
 Littleton - Halifax
 Locke - Rowan
 Lockwood Folly - Brunswick
 Locust Hill - Caswell
 Logan Store - Rutherford
 Long Acre - Beaufort
 Long Creek - Pender
 Long Hill - Surry
 Lovelace - Wilkes
 Lovelady - Burke
 Lovelady - Caldwell
 Lower Creek - Burke
 Lower Creek - Caldwell
 Lower Fork - Burke
 Lower Hominy - Buncombe
 Lumber Bridge - Robeson
 Lumberton - Robeson

McDaniels - Sampson
 McLaughlin - Hoke
 Madison - Guilford
 Madison - Rockingham
 Magnolia - Duplin
 Manchester - Cumberland
 Maney's Neck - Hertford
 Mangum - Durham
 Mannings - Nash
 Marietta - Robeson
 Marion - McDowell
 Marks Creek - Richmond
 Marks Creek - Wake
 Marsh - Surry
 Marshville - Union
 Mason Boro - New Hanover
 Mattamuskeet - Hyde
 Matthews - Chatham
 Maxton - Robeson
 Mayo - Rockingham
 Meadow - Johnston
 Meadows - Stokes
 Meat Camp - Watauga

Meredith - Wake
 Merrimon - Carteret
 Merry Hill - Bertie
 Micro - Johnston
 Middleburg - Vance
 Middle Creek - Wake
 Middle Fork - Forsyth
 Midway - Davidson
 Millers - Alexander
 Millshoal - Macon
 Mills River - Henderson
 Milton - Caswell
 Mineral Springs - Richmond
 Mingo - Sampson
 Mintonville - Gates
 Mitchells - Bertie
 Mocksville - Davie
 Monroe - Guilford
 Monroe - Union
 Montford Cove - McDowell
 Moravian Falls - Wilkes
 Morehead - Carteret
 Morehead - Guilford
 Morgan - Rowan
 Morgan - Rutherford
 Morganton - Burke
 Morven - Anson
 Moseley Hall - Lenoir
 Mount Airy - Surry
 Mount Gilead - Montgomery
 Mount Hermon - Pasquotank
 Mount Tirzah - Person
 Mount Ulla - Rowan
 Mountain - Jackson
 Mountain Creek - Catawba
 Moyock - Currituck
 Mulberry - Caldwell
 Mulberry - Wilkes
 Murfreesboro - Hertford
 Murphy - Cherokee

Nags Head - Dare
 Nahunta - Wayne
 Nantahala - Macon
 Nantahala - Swain
 Nashville - Nash
 Nebo - McDowell
 Neills Creek - Harnett
 Neuse - Lenoir

Neuse River - Wake
 New Bethel - Rockingham
 New Castle - Wilkes
 New Hope - Chatham
 New Hope - Iredell
 New Hope - Perquimans
 New Hope - Randolph
 New Hope - Wayne
 Newland - Pasquotank
 New Light - Wake
 New Market - Randolph
 Newport - Carteret
 New River - Watauga
 New Salem - Union
 Newton - Catawba
 Newton Grove - Sampson
 Nixonton - Pasquotank
 North Albemarle - Stanly
 North Brook - Lincoln
 North Catawba - Caldwell
 North Clinton - Sampson
 North Cove - McDowell
 North Fork - Ashe
 North Fork - Watauga
 Northwest - Brunswick
 North Whitakers - Nash
 North Wilkesboro - Wilkes
 Notla - Cherokee
 Nutbush - Vance
 Nutbush - Warren

Oak Grove - Durham
 Oak Hill - Granville
 Oakland - Chatham
 Oak Level - Nash
 Oak Ridge - Guilford
 Obids - Ashe
 Oconechee - Northampton
 Ocracoke - Hyde
 Oldfields - Ashe
 Old Fields - Wilson
 Old Fort - McDowell
 Old Richmond - Forsyth
 Olds - Greene
 Old Town - Forsyth
 Olin - Iredell
 Olive Hill - Person
 O'Neals - Johnston
 Ophir - Montgomery

Ormonds - Greene
 Orrum - Robeson
 Oxford - Granville

 Pactolus - Pitt
 Palmyra - Halifax
 Pantego - Beaufort
 Panther Branch - Wake
 Parkton - Robeson
 Parkville - Perquimans
 Patterson - Caldwell
 Patterson - Durham
 Peak Creek - Ashe
 Pearces Mill - Cumberland
 Peedee - Montgomery
 Pelham - Caswell
 Pembroke - Robeson
 Pensacola - Yancey
 Peters Creek - Stokes
 Philadelphus - Robeson
 Pigeon - Haywood
 Pikeville - Wayne
 Pilot - Surry
 Pine Level - Johnston
 Pine Swamp - Ashe
 Piney Creek - Alleghany
 Piney Grove - Sampson
 Pink Hill - Lenoir
 Plain View - Sampson
 Pleasant Grove - Johnston
 Pleasant Grove - Randolph
 Pleasant Hill - Northampton
 Plymouth - Washington
 Pond Mountain - Ashe
 Poplar - Mitchell
 Poplar Branch - Currituck
 Poplar Point - Martin
 Portsmouth - Carteret
 Prathers Creek - Alleghany
 Price - Rockingham
 Price Creek - Yancey
 Providence - Pasquotank
 Providence - Randolph
 Providence - Rowan

 Quaker Gap - Stokes
 Quaker Meadow - Burke
 Qualla - Jackson
 Quewhiffle - Hoke

Rae ford - Hoke
 Raft Swamp - Robeson
 Raleigh - Wake
 Ramseytown - Yancey
 Randleman - Randolph
 Ransom - Columbus
 Reddies River - Wilkes
 Red Hill - Mitchell
 Red Oak - Nash
 Red Springs - Robeson
 Reedy Creek - Davidson
 Reems Creek - Buncombe
 Reidsville - Rockingham
 Rennert - Robeson
 Reynoldson - Gates
 Richland - Beaufort
 Richland - Randolph
 Richlands - Onslow
 Rich Square - Northampton
 Ridenhour - Stanly
 River - Jackson
 River - Warren
 River Bend - Gaston
 Roanoke - Northampton
 Roanoke - Warren
 Roanoke Rapids - Halifax
 Roaring Creek - Avery
 Robersonville - Martin
 Rock Creek - Guilford
 Rock Creek - Wilkes
 Rockfish - Cumberland
 Rockfish - Duplin
 Rockford - Surry
 Rockingham - Richmond
 Rocky Mount - Nash
 Rocky Point - Pender
 Rocky Springs - Montgomery
 Rose Hill - Duplin
 Roseneath - Halifax
 Rowland - Robeson
 Roxboro - Person
 Roxobel - Bertie
 Ruffin - Rockingham
 Rutherfordton - Rutherford

 Saddle tree - Robeson
 St. Johns - Hertford
 St. Marys - Wake
 St. Matthews - Wake

St. Pauls - Robeson
 Salem - Granville
 Salem - Pasquotank
 Salem Chapel - Forsyth
 Salisbury - Rowan
 Saluda - Polk
 Sand Hill - Lenoir
 Sandy Creek - Vance
 Sandy Creek - Warren
 Sandy Mush - Buncombe
 Sandy Ridge - Union
 Saratoga - Wilson
 Sassafras Fork - Granville
 Saulston - Wayne
 Sauratown - Stokes
 Savannah - Jackson
 Scotch-Irish - Rowan
 Scotland Neck - Halifax
 Scott Creek - Jackson
 Scuppernong - Tyrrell
 Scuppernong - Washington
 Seaboard - Northampton
 Selma - Johnston
 Seventy-First - Cumberland
 Shady Grove - Davie
 Shallotte - Brunswick
 Shannon - Robeson
 Sharpes - Alexander
 Sharpesburg - Iredell
 Shawneehaw - Watauga
 Shiloh - Camden
 Shiloh - Iredell
 Shine - Greene
 Shoal Creek - Cherokee
 Shoals - Surry
 Shocco - Warren
 Shooting Creek - Clay
 Siloam - Surry
 Silver Creek - Burke
 Silver Hill - Davidson
 Simpsonville - Rockingham
 Sixpound - Warren
 Skinnersville - Washington
 Smith - Duplin
 Smith Creek - Warren
 Smithfield - Johnston
 Smiths - Robeson
 Smiths Bridge - Macon
 Smithville - Brunswick

Smoky Creek - Burke
 Smyrna - Carteret
 Smyrna - Robeson
 Snake Bite - Bertie
 Snow Creek - Mitchell
 Snow Creek - Stokes
 Snow Hill - Greene
 Somers - Wilkes
 South Albemarle - Stanly
 South Clinton - Sampson
 South Fork - Forsyth
 South Fork - Tyrrell
 South Mills - Camden
 South Point - Gaston
 South River - Sampson
 South Toe - Yancey
 Southwest - Lenoir
 South Whitakers - Nash
 South Williams - Columbus
 Speights Bridge - Greene
 Spring Hill - Scotland
 Spring Hill - Wilson
 Stanton - Wilkes
 Stantonsburg - Wilson
 Statesville - Iredell
 Stecoah - Graham
 Steele - Rowan
 Steeles - Richmond
 Sterlings - Robeson
 Stewarts Creek - Harnett
 Stewarts Creek - Surry
 Stewartsville - Scotland
 Stonewall - Hoke
 Stony Creek - Caswell
 Stony Creek - Nash
 Stony Creek - Wayne
 Stony Fork - Watauga
 Straits - Carteret
 Stump Sound - Onslow
 Sugar Fork - Macon
 Sugar Loaf - Alexander
 Sulphur Springs - Rutherford
 Sumner - Guilford
 Swannanoa - Buncombe
 Swan Quarter - Hyde
 Swansboro - Onslow
 Sweetwater - Clay
 Swift Creek - Pitt
 Swift Creek - Wake
 Sylva - Jackson

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 Tabernacle - Randolph
 Tally Ho - Granville
 Tatums - Columbus
 Taylor - Wilson
 Taylors Bridge - Sampson
 Taylorsville - Alexander
 Thomasville - Davidson
 Thompson - Robeson
 Toe River - Avery
 Toisnot - Wilson
 Topsail - Pender
 Town Creek - Brunswick
 Townsville - Vance
 Trap Hill - Wilkes
 Trent - Lenoir
 Trinity - Randolph
 Troy - Montgomery
 Tryon - Polk
 Turkey - Sampson
 Turnbull - Bladen
 Turnersburg - Iredell
 Tusquittee - Clay
 Tyro - Davidson
 Tyson - Stanly
 Union - Pender
 Union - Randolph
 Union - Robeson
 Union - Rutherford
 Union - Wilkes
 Union Grove - Iredell
 Unity - Rowan
 Upper Creek - Burke
 Upper Fork - Burke
 Upper Hominy - Buncombe
 Upper Little River - Harnett
 Uwharrie - Montgomery
 Valley Town - Cherokee
 Vance - Lenoir
 Vance - Union
 Vienna - Forsyth
 Waccamaw - Brunswick
 Waccamaw - Columbus
 Wadesboro - Anson
 Wake Forest - Wake
 Walnut Grove - Granville
 Walnut Grove - Wilkes
 Walnut Hill - Ashe

Warrenton - Warren
 Warsaw - Duplin
 Washington - Beaufort
 Washington - Guilford
 Watauga - Watauga
 Watkins - Vance
 Waynesville - Haywood
 Webster - Jackson
 Welch Creek - Columbus
 Weldon - Halifax
 Wentworth - Rockingham
 Westbrook - Sampson
 Western Prong - Columbus
 Westfield - Surry
 West Jefferson - Ashe
 Whitehead - Alleghany
 White Oak - Bladen
 White Oak - Carteret
 White Oak - Haywood
 White Oak - Onslow
 White Oak - Polk
 White Oak - Wake
 Whites - Bertie
 Whites Creek - Bladen
 White Store - Anson
 Whiteville - Columbus
 Wiccacanee - Northampton
 William - Chatham
 Williams - Columbus

Williams - Martin
 Williamsboro - Vance
 Williamsburg - Rockingham
 Williamsons - Scotland
 Williamston - Martin
 Wilders - Johnston
 Wilkesboro - Wilkes
 Wilmington - New Hanover
 Wilson - Wilson
 Wilson Creek - Caldwell
 Wilson Mills - Johnston
 Wilsons Creek - Avery
 Windsor - Bertie
 Winston - Forsyth
 Winterville - Pitt
 Winton - Hertford
 Wishart - Robeson
 Wittenberg - Alexander
 Wolf Pit - Richmond
 Wolfscrape - Duplin
 Woodington - Lenoir
 Woodsdale - Person
 Woodville - Bertie

 Yadkin - Stokes
 Yadkin Valley - Caldwell
 Yanceyville - Caswell
 Yellow Creek - Graham

NOTE: These names were taken from a 1952 map (based on 1950 Census) of North Carolina, Minor Civil Divisions - Townships, for sale (20 cents) by the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

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IN THE NAME OF LAW AND ORDER!?

From: Court Minutes of Guilford Co., N. C., August 1784 - p. 112 -

"Ordered that in future each Sheriff attend this Court with a Wand of tough Wood eight feet in length and one Inch in diameter, and that each Constable attend the Court with staffs neatly shaved six and a half feet in length and one and an half in Diameter painted black on the Head for eight Inches."

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